

OECD Development Centre

Part time position for a student in PhD programme in economics or other specialisation of social sciences

Position: Research Assistant

Duration: 1 year, part time (50-80%)

Start date: September 2010

The Development Centre is a unique institution within the OECD and the international community, where the governments of member and partner countries, enterprises and civil society organisations discuss questions of common interest informally. Its Governing Board includes most of the OECD countries but also emerging economies. The Centre helps policy makers in OECD and partner countries find innovative solutions to the global challenges of development. (www.oecd.org/dev)

We are looking for a Research Assistant to contribute to the work of the Development Centre and in particular to its Perspectives on Global Development 2011- Social Cohesion activities.

Job Duties

Under the general supervision of one of the Head of Unit and Senior Economist, the Research Assistant will:

- focus on helping to bring the publication of Perspectives on Global Development – Social Cohesion to a timely and faultless completion by contributing to both the research and administrative duties that the report entails, to be published in 2011
- concurrently help identify policy relevant research themes for the publication and start literature surveys on the research themes identified.
- participate in the collection and elaboration of data for empirical research, running econometric analysis and establishing tables and graphs for inclusion in drafts and PowerPoint presentations
- contribute to administrative tasks
- undertake other assignments as requested by the Head of Unit.

Qualifications

Education and experience

- Students pursuing a PhD programme in economics or other specialisation in the social sciences domain
- An excellent knowledge about economic and social issues in development, empirical analysis with micro data and being strongly familiar with MS Office

Core competences

- Strong personal motivation to help meet the challenge of reducing poverty in the world, in particular by promoting a better understanding of the economic and political challenges of development;
- Outstanding analytical and drafting skills ; ability to work quickly and produce concise, top-quality work at strategic, operational levels;
- Excellent economist (social scientist), fluency in the use of standard software applications (Word, Excel, PowerPoint).

Languages

- Fluency (written and spoken) in one of the two official languages of the Organisation (English and French) and a very good knowledge of the other. Excellent writing skills in English will be an advantage.